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What is a King Cobra?

Introduction

King Cobras are a type of venomous snake. The scientific name for the king cobra is ophiophagus hannah. They are also known as the spitting cobra.

Diet

King cobras strike sinking their fangs deep into their prey’s soft flesh injecting deadly venom. King cobras can spit venom at the eye of prey from up to two metres away directly hitting their prey in the eyes and blinding them. King cobras eat non venomous and venomous snakes, lizards and rodents.

Appearances

King cobras have hoods that fan out showing a smiley face warning predators to watch out! King cobras are the largest venomous snakes in the world. Most people think that snakes are slimy, however they are dry and rough.

Habitat

King cobras mainly live in the rain forests, plains of India, southern China and south east Asia. They are comfortable in trees, water and land. Their colouring can vary greatly from region to region, for example, sandy deserts to rainforests.

Conclusion

King cobras are on of the scariest reptiles on our planet. Luckily for us they do not live in New Zealand – or do they?